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DECLARATION FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

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My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and **sole** inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **Surface Treating Appliance**, the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

was filed on **18 July 2003** as **PCT/GB03/03135** and was amended on (if applicable).

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I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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Application No.	Country	Date of Filing(dd/mm/yy)	Priority Claimed?
0218426.5	GB	9 August 2002	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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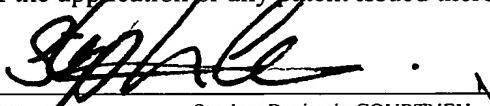
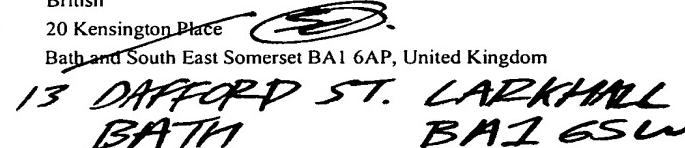
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